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Events of Interest from the Seat of Government

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Washington, Jan. 29.—Remove the tariff from meat and sugar, to lessen the burden of taxation now being borne by the poor, and place a tax on the income of the rich, who are not now bearing their due proportion of the government expense!

This promises to be a feature of the legislative program of the democratic 63rd congress. Questions asked by witnesses before the Ways and Means committee indicated that meats and sugar may go on the free list. An income tax to make up for the loss of revenue from the tariff on meats and sugar will soon come into existence as a result of the ratification of the income tax amendment to the constitution by the necessary three-fourths of the states.

This program should spell some reduction in the cost of living. The wholesale price of sugar in London, where there is no tax on sugar, averages two cents a pound less than in New York. The same thing is true of beef. The cables frequently report that American beef, on which the transportation has been paid across the Atlantic, is being sold on the block in London two cents a pound less than in the United States. This shows how these trusts have been taking advantage of home consumers whom they have at their mercy because of the Payne-Aldrich tariff law. Naturally the sugar trust and the beef trust will not approve a policy of free sugar and free meat, but the sugar trust and the beef trust will not be in the saddle in Washington after March 4th.

Lloyd Did Great Work

Hon. James T. Lloyd has let it be known among his friends that he will not stand for reelection to the chairmanship of the National Democratic Congressional committee. Mr. Lloyd has served as chairman of this important committee six years, through three congressional elections, which is longer than any other democrat was ever honored with the place.

When Mr. Lloyd, who comes from the First Missouri district and has long been one of the democratic leaders of the house, first took hold of the chairmanship of the Congressional committee, the republicans were in power in both branches of congress and seemed likely to be for many years to come. Mr. Lloyd inaugurated a plan of close cooperation with the democratic candidates for congress that was more systematic and effective than any policy that had ever been worked out before. Then he built up one of the largest democratic news syndicates in the country.

Mr. Lloyd felt the people were not getting the Washington news from a democratic viewpoint, and he determined to supply it to them during campaigns, but all the time. Ever since Mr. Lloyd has been chairman of the committee, the country democratic newspapers have been furnished with a weekly Washington letter of democratic news. The publication of these letters has been of the greatest help to the congressional candidates. Mr. Lloyd also originated a statistical bureau to gather data for the newspaper letters as well as the congressional candidates. Mr. Lloyd has devoted much hard work to the cause, and feels that the time has come, now that the democrats are in the ascendancy, for some good man to step in and take his place.

RAILWAY BUSINESS FOR NOVEMBER

The high tide of business in the United States continues to be reflected in the railway statistics compiled by the Bureau of Railway Economics from the reports of the railways to the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The returns for last November show an increase over November of the previous year, but do not maintain the ratio of increase displayed by the month of October; while operating revenues increased \$122 per mile of line for the month, operating expenses increased \$74, and net revenue only \$48.33. Taxes were greater than for the previous November, amounting to \$45 per mile of line. Operating income averaged \$12.13 per mile of line for each day in November, an amount greater by \$1.63 than for November, 1911. This is the entire amount available to the railways for rentals, interest on bonds, appropriations, and dividends.

For the five months of the fiscal year the net operating revenue per mile of line of the eastern railways, compared with the corresponding months of the previous year, increased 9.3 per cent; that of the western railways increased 15.8 per cent, while that of the railways of the south increased less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

For the eleven months of the calendar year the net operating revenue per mile of line of the eastern railways, compared with the corresponding months of the previous year, increased 4.8 per cent; that of the western railways increased 7.4 per cent, while that of the railways of the south shows a decrease of 4.5 per cent.

MEASURING HAY IN STACK

For obtaining the number of tons of hay in a stack, the first step is to measure the width and length with a tape line, and then what is known as the overthrow, that is, pass a tape line from the bottom of the stack on one side over to the bottom on the other side, and divide this measurement which is called the overthrow, by three, then multiply the length by the width, and this by one-third of the overthrow—this gives you the number of cubic feet in the stack. Of course, if the stack is different widths or different heights, you will have to take the measurements in several places and obtain the average of these by adding them together and dividing by the number of measurements made.

The number of cubic feet of hay per ton varies considerably with the length of time that it has been stacked. With newly stacked hay it will take about 500 cubic feet to equal a ton; if it has been stacked for two or three months, from 350 to 400 cubic feet will equal a ton. After you have obtained the number of cubic feet in the stack, divide by the number of cubic feet in a ton, taking into consideration the length of time that the hay has been stacked.

WYOMING'S HIGHEST MOUNTAIN

Wyoming has a mountain nearly 14,000 feet in height. It is called Gannett Peak, and is located in Fremont county, in the western part of the state. Its height above sea level, according to the United States Geological Survey, is 13,785 feet. The lowest point in the state is on Belle Fourche river, 3,100 feet above sea level. Wyoming, which has an average elevation estimated at 6,700 feet, is the second highest state in the Union, being exceeded only by Colorado.

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PROTECTING PENSIONS

Bill introduced in Congress in Interest of Men Who Draw Government Pensions

SIMILAR TO SOME STATE LAWS

Willard M. Evans, a veteran of the Civil war, residing five miles south of Marsland, was in Alliance last week and called at The Herald office with a copy of the National Tribune containing an article in regard to the bill introduced in congress with a view to protect pension money. Mr. Evans informed us that Michigan and some other states have laws for that purpose, but that a federal law of that kind is desired.

Following is the article from the National Tribune:

Representative Francis, of Ohio, has introduced the following bill to protect pensioners in the full enjoyment of their pensions:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Section 4747 of the Revised Statutes be, and is hereby, amended so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 4747. And all money received by any person as a pension from the United States government, whether the same shall be in the actual possession of such pensioner or deposited, loaned or invested by the pensioner, shall, together with the interest accrued thereon, or the increments earned thereby, be exempt from taxation, or attachment, levy or seizure under any legal or equitable process whatever; and any tax collector, bailiff, sheriff, marshal, constable or other person receiving notice of the exemption of pension money, in conformity with the provisions of this act, who shall attach, restrain, garnish or sequester any pension money as aforesaid, or otherwise obstruct or molest any lawful pensioner of the United States in the peaceful use and enjoyment of a pension, upon any pretext whatsoever (excepting only the duly authorized officials lawfully executing the provisions of Section 4739 of the Revised Statutes, or otherwise acting upon authority or instructions of the Secretary of the Interior); shall be guilty of misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding \$500 and the costs of the prosecution for each and every offense; and it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Pensions to transmit to every pensioner of the United States a copy of this act, in such manner as the Secretary of the Interior may direct."

Will Alliance be Represented There?

Federation of Nebraska Retailers Arrange for a Big "Made in Nebraska Show"

AT OMAHA, MARCH 6TH TO 14TH

A. D. Rodgers left on 42 Monday morning for Lincoln, where he went to attend a meeting on Tuesday of the executive board of the Federation of Nebraska Retailers, of which he is a member. It has been the aim of the organization to boost Nebraska industries and push the sale of goods made in this state. At the meeting of the executive board this week important business was transacted relating to the arrangements for the big "Made in Nebraska Show" to be held in Omaha, March 5th to 16th.

Manufacturers from all parts of the state are invited to exhibit their wares at this show. The Omaha Auditorium will be used for booths for

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exhibitors and will furnish ample room for that purpose. There will probably be about 400 booths. There will also be model stores. The Herald hopes to see Alliance and other northwestern Nebraska towns well represented in the exhibits, as well as in attendance. This part of the state is gradually coming into the recognition to which it is entitled. This is true not only in politics, but what is probably of greater importance to the people generally, in business affairs as well. Mr. Rodgers, who is a leading business man of Alliance and northwestern Nebraska, is a prominent member of the Nebraska Federation of Retailers and a member of the executive board, the only member of the board in the western part of the state.

Now that we have such a good opportunity to show the people of eastern Nebraska and other states who will visit the "Made in Nebraska Show" the development that is being made in this part of our great state, our people should improve the opportunity. We have a bunch of factories in Alliance that could make a fine showing of their products. Following are some of the manufacturers of this city: Alliance Creamery Co., Newberry's Hardware Co., Sang C. Reck's shale brick factory, Golden Rod Bottling Works. Hemingford can be represented at the show by the flour mill and creamery, Scottsbluff by sugar from their big beet sugar factory, Mitchell by products of its alfalfa mill, etc. By all means let Alliance and western Nebraska be well represented at the big "Made in Nebraska Show" at Omaha, March 5th to 16th.

STUDEBAKER AUTO ATTRACTS INTEREST

The following clipping from the Harrison Sun of last week concerns a new Studebaker "25" sold a few

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days ago by the western Nebraska agents, Lowry & Henry, of Alliance: "Tuesday evening J. H. Wilhemdorfer and son, Moritz, and James F. Bourret boarded the east bound train for Alliance. We kept a lookout for their return, knowing that it was for some purpose that they went down the road, and about six o'clock Wednesday evening they came driving up Main street in a new Stude-

baker auto with Moritz at the wheel. It is sure a fine car and one of the latest out, and Mr. Bourret promises us a ride in it just as soon as he learns to run it all right. J. F. is an old hand at cutting out and roping steers and riding bucking bronchos, but this is a new one on him, but we will bet doughnuts to dollars that he will soon be able to ride and guide the auto as well as anyone."